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EXPORT OF TELECOM EQUIPMENTS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to increase the export of telecom equipments;

(b) the total amount worth telecom equipments exported to different countries during the last three years;

(c) the target set for 2001-2002; and

(d) the efforts made so far to achieve the target?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) The Government has provided following incentives for promoting the export of telecom equipments:

(i) A number of incentives is available under the Export Import Policy which include Advance Licenses, Special Imprest License, Duty Entitlement Pass-Book scheme and Export Promotion Capital Goods scheme for import of inputs required for manufacture and export of such equipment.

(ii) The Government also promotes export through other schemes by allowing setting up of manufacturing units as Export Oriented Units, units in Export Processing Zones and Electronic Hardware Technology Park, Special Economic Zone etc. all of which enjoy duty free import of all types of goods including capital goods.

(iii) For providing exposure in the international market, Department of Telecommunications provides subsidy to Indian companies in Telecom sector for meeting part expenditure towards their participation in the international exhibitions.

(b) The telecom equipments exported to different countries during last three years are as under:

Year	Value in Rs. Crore
1998-99	250
1999-00	180
2000-01	450

(c) & (d): The Government, as such, does not fix any target for export of telecom equipment. However, through various schemes/incentives efforts are made to increase the exports.